Subject: Money which Paul Revere designed for Massachusetts

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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
165 Street & Broadway
New York City

Gentlemen:

I have been commissioned to paint six large murals based on the life of Paul Revere, for the Hotel Lexington in New York. In my composition, I have used the money which Revere designed and printed for the state of Massachussets.

As I am most anxious to get a copy of this currency, I wrote to the Treasury Department in Wasington and they suggested I get in touch with you.

The design has a figure of a man in his right hand inscribed "Ense petit placidum sub libertate quietem ", and a copy of the magna charta in his left hand. There is a scroll around the figure which says, "Issued in defence of American Liberty". It is sometimes called the "sword in hand money."

I would deeply appreciate it if you could send me a copy of this money or else tell me how to obtain one.

Sincerely yours,

Anton Refregier

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Oct. 29, 1937

Mr. Anton Refregier,
143 W. 21st St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We do not have the bill you ask about designed by Paul Revere; we have an illustration of this in a book. Also, we have a finely engraved bill with nearly the same figure in one corner of it.

You are at liberty to come up here and make a copy of the piece from our book. Ask for either Mr. Wood or Mr. Clark.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW ks